

Dear Committee,

Since the NGSS were adopted many years ago, it is time to revisit those standards and make much needed modifications.

The adoption of the NGSS many years ago by the State of Ct. was a very positive action, in both standardizing and prioritizing topics and skills needed for students to master, in order to live in a very fast changing world.

However, since the NGSS were adopted, the world has been changing for students, in a fast pace, in technology, social media, learning opportunities, and the environment they live in.

Issues like, extreme drought, extensive forest fires, stronger hurricanes and more powerful and consistent storms have impacted all areas of the USA, and continues to get worst.

It is imperative that all of Ct. Public Schools have the responsibility and methods to teach the Climate Crisis. Knowledge is power.

It would be irresponsible for Educators to ignore this most important topic at the time when their planet in which they will live in, is facing a Climate Crisis.

So please pass HB -5285 in order to educate our future generations, so they can have the knowledge in order to have a healthy, safe, and prosperous future.

Thank you for your assistance on this matter.  
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Sent from my iPad